

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652 : N/A  
TAGS : PINT, FR  
SUBJECT : FORTHCOMING MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS - "FALSE ALARM  
IN CANNES".  
REF : NICE 23

1. ON JANUARY 21ST THE LOCAL AND NATIONAL PRESS PUBLISHED  
REPORTS THAT BERNARD CORNUT-GENTILLE, DEPUTY-MAYOR OF CANNES,  
HAD ANNOUNCED HIS DECISION NOT TO RUN FOR RE-ELECTION IN  
FORTHCOMING MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS. IT WAS NOTED THAT HIS DECISION,  
WHICH WAS BASED ON QUOTE PERSONAL CONSIDERATIONS UNQUOTE, WAS  
ANNOUNCED DURING MEETING WITH HIS ADVISORS AT CITY-HALL DURING  
THE EVENING OF JANUARY 20, 1977. IN COMMENTING ON THE MAYOR S  
DECISION, THE LOCAL DAILY, NICE-MATIN, STATED QUOTE EVEN IF ONE  
IS NOT ALWAYS IN AGREEMENT WITH MR CORNUT-GENTILLE S POLITICAL  
OPINIONS OR DOES NOT PARTICULARLY LIKE CERTAIN ASPECTS OF HIS  
CHARACTER, WE HAVE TO RECOGNIZE HIS WORTH AS AN ADMINISTRATOR  
WHICH HAS BEEN ADEQUATELY DEMONSTRATED DURING HIS TERM OF  
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2. THE FOLLOWING DAY, CORNUT-GENTILLE ISSUED A STATEMENT  
ASSURING THE POPULATION OF CANNES OF HIS INTENTION TO PRESENT  
HIMSELF, ONCE AGAIN, FOR ELECTION. IN HIS STATEMENT, THE MAYOR  
EXPLAINED THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED WITH HIS CITY COUNCIL THE  
POSSIBILITY OF HIS NOT RUNNING AND INFORMED THEM THAT HE  
WOULD LET THEM KNOW HIS FINAL DECISION AFTER A WEEKEND OF  
REFLECTION. HE HAS DEFINITELY DECIDED NOT TO RETIRE AND

INFORMED THE RESIDENTS THAT HE WAS DEEPLY HURT THAT THE TRUST  
OF CONFIDENTIALITY WAS NOT KEPT BY SOMEONE ON HIS STAFF. HE  
ASSURED THE VOTERS THAT QUOTE I HAVE DECIDED TO REMAIN AT THE  
HEAD OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO CHASE AWAY BOTH THE  
NEW AND OLD PARASITES AND PROFITEERS WHO WANT TO TAKE OVER  
THIS CITY UNQUOTE.

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